13 August 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, System Engineering Division, OJCS

SUBJECT   :   ORACLE Project Status and Schedules

1. During my last trip to California, 29 July-6 August, ███████   STATINTL
and members of my branch worked on document review and schedules.
I would like to report the status of those activities as well as
plans for the next few weeks. I am also attaching a complete cost
analysis for the project with cost to complete estimates as they
appear at this time.

2. TMS 2 System Specifications – My primary reason for going
to California was to get the TMS 2 System Specifications document
in a form which we could place under a strict change control procedure.
When I arrived there on 30 July, ███████ did not have the material that   STATINTL
they had promised. We started to work toward a Friday deadline for
the document, which was not met. ███████ and I worked over the weekend   STATINTL
and by Tuesday noon we had the present document. I think that this
document is quite good and has about 90% of what we need. The
remaining material is mostly hardware information. The document is
under change control and is being reviewed by OJCS personnel associated
with the project. It is my intent to have ███████ here in   STATINTL
Washington during the week of 26 August to discuss the document
with all members of the Office who are interested. By 6 September
the document will be submitted to the Contract Office as a contract
document with the understanding that all work suggested in the
document can be done for the stated money in the contract.

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3. Pre-Shipment Acceptance Test (PSAT) – This is the document
that ███████ has been working on and can not really be complete
until the specifications document is complete. We reviewed it last
week and decided on a format change, but the content is good and the
document is ready to go under change control now. We have a copy
here and this document will be reviewed during the 26 August meetings
also. It will then go under contract control at the same time the
specifications document does in September.

4. Budgets and Schedules - During the week, I worked with the ████ STATINTL
contract people to establish the current status of the contracts as they
see it and what they see as the cost to complete estimates for the present
contracts. My assumptions for the attached cost sheet are as follows:

> a. Maintenance costs for the calendar year 75 are
> included in my estimates, and all costs after that
> are not.

> b. Disk rental costs at ████████████ which have   STATINTL
> not been programmed are a maximum of $40,000.

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> c. The CPFF contract has not slipped in cost or schedule
> at this time, but during the week of 26 August, I have
> asked ██████ to give a complete schedule and cost
> to complete management review. I believe that he may
> ask for a month delay with that much more money. I
> have not included this in my analysis.

5. In summary, the week of 26 August is a critical week. OJCS
management should be prepared to review the project and get any and
STATINTL all information from ██████ on the program. I believe that we
should take a hard look at the ASP 3.1 schedules, SED workload,
and long range plans for VS as we try to establish the trade-offs
STATINTL we might make with ████ on the ORACLE program.

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Chief,
Mass Storage System Branch
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Attachment

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